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Narutoshi Sugita, et al.

Application No.: NEW APPLICATION

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For: FUEL CELL AND FUEL CELL STACK

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

**SPECIFICATION**

       There are no amendments to the specification.

  X   Marked up replacement(s) paragraphs are presented in a separate section.

**CLAIMS**

  X   There are no amendments to the claims.

       A complete listing of all claims ever present in this case in ascending order with status identifier is presented in a separate section.